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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/010721 for: RELIEF DIFFRACTION

GRATING BODY, AND OPTICAL PICK-UP AND OPTICAL...

Dear Mr. Toraoka:

Thank you for your letter of March 29, 2006, with respect to the above-identified patent application. As instructed, we prepared and filed a Request for Continued Examination with the U.S. Patent Office on March 30, 2006. With the confirmation copy of this letter, we enclose a copy of the documents we filed.

We will keep you apprised of further developments as they occur herein. As always, if you should have any questions regarding this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us. Our debit note is enclosed.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,

Douglas P. Mueller

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Enclosures

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Title: RELIEF DIFFRACTION GRATING BODY, AND OPTICAL PICK-UP AND OPTICAL INFORMATION APPARATUS USING THE SAME

Favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' primary attorney-of-record, Douglas P. Mueller (Reg. No. 30,300), at (612) 455-3804.

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